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Independent Auditor's Report

November 9, 1999

The Honorable John G. Morgan Comptroller of the Treasury State Capitol Nashville, Tennessee 37243

Dear Mr. Morgan:

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of the Tennessee Housing Development Agency, a component unit of the State of Tennessee, as of June 30, 1999, and June 30, 1998, and the related statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in retained earnings and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the agency's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements, based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our report dated December 9, 1998, we qualified our opinion on the 1998 financial statements because insufficient audit evidence existed to support the agency's disclosures required by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Technical Bulletin 98-1, *Disclosures about Year 2000 Issues*. The agency's year 2000 disclosures are now reported as required supplementary information as permitted by GASB Technical Bulletin 99-1, *Disclosures about Year 2000 Issues—an amendment of Technical Bulletin 98-1*. Accordingly, our present opinion on the 1998 statements, as expressed herein, is different from our prior report on the 1998 financial statements.

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In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Tennessee Housing Development Agency, as of June 30, 1999, and June 30, 1998, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

The Year 2000 Disclosures, following the notes to the financial statements, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and do not express an opinion on it. In addition, we do not provide assurance that the agency is or will become year 2000 compliant, that the agency's year 2000 remediation efforts will be successful in whole or in part, or that parties with which the agency does business are or will become year 2000 compliant.

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements, taken as a whole. The Other Supplementary Information, following the Required Supplementary Information, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 9, 1999, on our consideration of the agency's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants.

Sincerely,

/s/ Arthur A. Hayes, Jr.

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